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Fort Worth, 2, Texas  
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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

September, school time, apple time -- they all seem to fit in together, and, speaking of apples, there is a fairly good supply of them on the local fruit and vegetable market. The quality is fine and although prices are high when compared to those of other years they are really not so high when compared with prices of some of the other fruits. Chances are they will not be very much lower priced for a good long time.

Summer varieties of apples in the Northeast Kansas and Missouri sections are drawing to a close for this season. Those sections will now start shipping early fall and winter varieties. Apples from these districts are of a wonderful flavor and although this section of the country did not receive any of their summer varieties, no doubt we shall soon see a good many of the winter varieties from Northeast Kansas and Missouri.

A few locally produced tomatoes are still coming in but the quality is not as good as a few weeks ago. Most tomato supplies are now coming from Colorado, California, Maryland, New York and Washington. Home grown watermelons and cantaloups are still available as are a few other items. Most vegetables are coming from Colorado at this particular time.

A fair supply of onions, mostly from Colorado, a few from North Texas, is available in spite of the fact we are supposed to have a shortage of this commodity. Prices are not too high and they are moving rather slowly. Sweet-potatoes are lower priced this week but cannot be classed in the "best buy" bracket just yet.

Several carloads of peaches from the Palisade district of Colorado arrived in Fort Worth and in Dallas the past week. The quality is good and prices a shade lower than a couple of weeks ago. Colorado has a large crop this year and shipments from that area reached the peak this week. Those of you who intend to can some of them and who are willing to pay the price had better do so at once before they are all gone.

Best buys for the week on the fruit and vegetable market are irish potatoes, cabbage, green beans and eggplant.

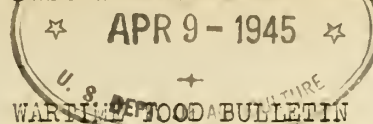
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According to Paul R. LeGer, Federal Food Reporter, Colorado peaches are nearing the end of the season and the next couple of weeks will probably see the end of peaches on the local fruit and vegetable market. Prices are not as high as they were earlier in the season and the quality remains very good.

Other fruits are about unchanged with the exception that grape prices have declined a little. Tokays made their first appearance this week. Most fruits will not be plentiful this fall and winter but some relief may come in the form of bananas since conditions are more favorable and rumor have it we may receive more of them than we did last winter.

The recent rains will help fall vegetable crops considerable and we should see a nice supply in a short time. Some new fall crop squash came to market this week. Sweetpotatoes are fine quality and are coming in fair sized quantities with prices a shade lower.

Fresh Italian prunes from the state of Washington are becoming a little more plentiful but no one is over-burdened with them. The quality is excellent and prices are not out of line with other commodities. The same is true with most varieties of the large Western plums.

Home grown cantaloups and watermelons continue to nearly supply the local market. A good supply of practically all fresh vegetables from Colorado and a few other places are available and fresh supplies arrive each day. In fact buying of nearly all fruits and vegetables has been brisk enough to keep everything moving and fresh supplies coming at all times. Nothing seems to go begging for a "taker" these days.

Best buys for this week are potatoes, tomatoes, eggplant, spinach, squash and carrots with others running a close second.

Our boys have smacked Musso with a rotten tomato, now lets help them smack Hitler and Tojo -- BUY MORE BONDS -- TODAY -- EVERYDAY --.

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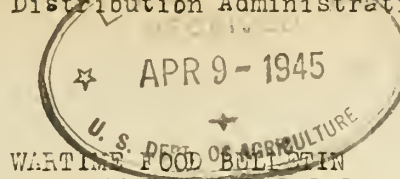




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Peaches have just about disappeared from the Fort Worth Fruit and Vegetable market. We still have a few available but very few. Apples and Pears are becoming a little more plentiful. Apricots will soon be gone. Grapes and Plums are fairly plentiful although a smaller number of varieties are offered. Fresh Italian Prunes are the outstanding canning fruit right now, prices of these have declined lately and the quality is good.

Oranges and grapefruit have been a little scarce but with Florida and the Rio Grande Valley of Texas nearing the shipping season these will soon be coming in good sized quantities and no doubt prices will decline in the near future as they become more abundant on the markets.

A good supply of fresh vegetables is still coming from Colorado and California. Rutabagas from Minnesota have been offered the past few weeks and prices have declined enough to make them a good buy. Sweetpotatoes from East Texas and locally grown are becoming more plentiful each week with correspondingly lower prices. Home grown squash is now being offered at fair prices and the quality is fine. Home grown turnips and other vegetables will soon make an appearance and prices are expected to be reasonable.

Best buys this week are cabbage, squash, carrots, peppers, rutabagas, and Irish potatoes.

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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

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Plentiful in quantity and reasonable in price on the local fruit and vegetable markets this week are carrots, rutabagas, dry onions, sweetpotatoes, and irish potatoes. All are fine quality. Outstanding among them is the carrot, vitamin filled and health giving, priced below wartime levels. When you have a combination like this you certainly have a "best buy" and that is just what is offered in carrots this week. For economy choose bulk carrots and who eats carrot tops anyway?

Sweetpotatoes have again slightly declined in price and the quality has improved, making them a very close second as a weeks best buy. Dry onions which a few weeks ago were playing hide-and-seek with the public are now available in large enough quantities to cause small price drops and to make them a good buy. The same is true with irish potatoes and rutabagas. Green onions have been offered for many weeks without price changes. Artichokes from California were offered this week.

Locally produced watermelons and cantaloups are nearing the end of their season but dealers are able to get a fair supply of cantaloups, honeydew, honeyball, casaba, and persian melons from California and Colorado. Home grown mustard and turnip greens are now available and within a couple of weeks we will have both bunched turnips and those with tops removed as well as a few other home grown fall crop vegetables. Fine quality squash from Tarrant County is offered in fair sized quantities and reasonable prices. Cabbage is of fine quality, fair priced, a real food which can be served in many different styles. Cauliflower, that glorified cabbage substitute is mostly coming from the San Luis Valley of Colorado and is very fine.

In fact the vegetable situation in general is running very smoothly right now so why not serve more fresh fruit and vegetable dishes in your daily menu while they are available and do a favor to yourself and to your pocketbook.

The fruit picture is a little different. These fruits offered are generally selling for wartime prices. Apples and oranges have been a little scarce but supplies will soon increase. A few peaches still trickle in from Colorado and Utah. Supplies and prices of other fruit remain about unchanged.

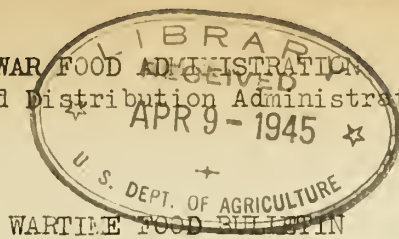
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According to Paul R. LeGer, Federal Food Reporter, carrots, cabbage, sweetpotatoes, irish potatoes and onions continue to lead the list as best buys on the local fruit and vegetable markets this week. Squash, rutabagas and bell peppers are running a good race for second place. Among these, Sweetpotatoes are a "near" leader due to the fact they are plentiful, of fine quality and the price has again decreased perhaps because of a rather slow movement at this time, anyway, they are a mighty good buy this week.

Apples are none too plentiful and are as high as a "cats back" while oranges are about as plentiful as "hens teeth". However, these 2 scarce items will soon receive relief. The orange scarcity, which is only temporary, will be greatly relieved just as soon as the Rio Grande Valley of Texas and the state of Florida start moving their new crops which will be around the middle of October. As for apples: -- these will not be as plentiful as they were last year but we do not have a shortage by any means. The War Food Administration has issued an order requiring about one fifth of this years crop to be processed and made into such items as apple butter, sauce, jelly, vinegar, cider, frozen apples, etc. most of which will go to our boys on the fighting fronts overseas. For the remainder of the crop the Office of Price Administration recently announced it is placing a retail ceiling on apples such that you and I will be able to buy them for somewhere around 9 cents a pound. This is much lower than you and I are buying them for now. This is certainly real relief, not only the fact you and I can buy them for less money but also the fact that our boys overseas will also have apples and apple products.

In general the fruit and vegetable situation is "quiet" at this time but Mr. LeGer reminds you that winter is drawing near and it might be a good idea to look over your supplies of both fresh and canned fruit and vegetables and complete your winters supply while you have the opportunity.

